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Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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2000-91663	03/31/00	Japan
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The cited references are not in the English language, and English language abstracts are enclosed. Also, JP 10-509241 relates to US 5,528,452 which is already of record.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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